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EYEGLASSES FOR ADULTS

Effective February 24, 2003, complete eyeglasses, lens(es) and frames, due to refractive errors, for adults which had been terminated effective July 1, 2002, are reinstated due to a preliminary court order by Judge Steven Ohmer of St. Louis City.

Covered benefits for adults are the same as they were prior to July 1, 2002.

MC+ MANAGED CARE PROGRAM

MC+ managed care health plans provide optical benefits to their enrollees. The optical benefit for adults under MC+ managed care is the same as fee-for-service,

except for eyeglasses, lens(es), and frames required due to refractive error. Check with the MC+ managed care health plans for their authorization and billing requirements.

ADULTS IN A MANAGED CARE HEALTH CARE PLAN

If a recipient is in a managed care health plan the eyeglasses, lens(es) and frames for a refractive error will be paid fee-for-service. All other eye care including glasses, lens and frames following cataract surgery remain the responsibility of the managed health care plan.

NON-EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION (NEMT)

The State's NEMT broker, Medical Transportation Management (MTM), may transport any adult to optical services for complete eyeglasses, frames, lens(es), due to a refractive error, that are reimbursed on a fee-for-service basis; when the individual meets all criteria for receiving NEMT. Recipients are urged to contact MTM at 1-888-863-9513 at least 5 days prior to the appointment for determination of eligibility for NEMT service and arrangement for appropriate transport.